

## Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED POSS DUPE

PAGE 01 NASSAU 01230 051521Z

40

ACTION L-03

INFO OCT-01 ARA-16 ISO-00 DODE-00 CIAE-00 INR-10 NSAE-00

RSC-01 SCA-01 PM-07 DRC-01 /040 W

----- 011524

R 051456Z SEP 73

FM AMEMBASSY NASSAU

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4562

UNCLAS NASSAU 1230

E. O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MILI BF

SUBJ: RECIPROCITY FOR CLAIMS

REF: STATE 172053

1. EMBASSY APPROACHED GCOB SOLICITOR GENERAL HILTON TO POSE QUESTIONS RAISED REFTEL. HILTON CONFIRMED THAT GCOB CONTINUES TO FOLLOW UK PRACTICE PERMITTING U.S. CITIZENS ACCESS TO BAHAMIAN COURTS IN CIRCUMSTANCES SIMILAR TO THOSE DESCRIBED REFTEL, AND HAS NOT EFFECTED ANY CHANGE IN ITS LAW THAT WOULD DENY OR RESTRICT RECIPROCITY.

2. WITH RESPECT TO GENERAL QUESTIONS OF ACCESS TO COURTS, HILTON SAID UK RULES OF LAW CONCERNING ACCESS, SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY, ETC. ARE PRESENTLY FOLLOWED BY GOB COURTS. SOLICITOR GENERAL COULD THINK OF NO CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH U.S. CITIZENS WOULD BE DENIED ACCESS TO BAHAMIAN COURTS, ASSUMING NORMAL COMMON LAW REQUIREMENTS OF JURISDICTION AND VENUE WERE MET.

SPIERS

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** n/a  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 05 SEP 1973  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** n/a  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** n/a  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:**  
**Disposition Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1973NASSAU01230  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** n/a  
**From:** NASSAU  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1973/newtext/t19730954/aaaabnnb.tel  
**Line Count:** 47  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE  
**Office:** ACTION L  
**Original Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 1  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** STATE 172053  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** martinjw  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 04 DEC 2001  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <04-Dec-2001 by maustmc>; APPROVED <19 FEB 2002 by martinjw>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** RECIPROCITY FOR CLAIMS  
**TAGS:** MILI, BF  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005